## **ECTP Program**



The Extra Credit Teacher Home Purchase Program (ECTP) is a deferred payment, simple interest rate subordinate loan. This program is for eligible teachers, administrators, classified employees and staff members working in county/continuation or high priority schools in California. The ECTP loans are available at an amount not to exceed the greater of \$7,500 or 3% of the sales price, or in CalHFA-defined high cost areas an amount not to exceed the greater of \$15,000 or 3% of the sales price.

ECTP can be used for down payment assistance and/or closing costs with an eligible CalHFA Conventional first mortgage loan.

This program may be combined with other FHA-approved subordinate loans or grants (with the exception of CHDAP) to help in the purchase of the home.

**Term:** The term of ECTP matches the term of the CalHFA first mortgage not to exceed

30 years

LTV and CLTV: LTV: Follow the applicable CalHFA first mortgage underwriting guidelines

CLTV: Maximum Combined Loan-to-Value (CLTV) cannot exceed 103%

Maximum Loan Amount:

The ECTP second mortgage loan amount cannot exceed the greater of \$7,500 or 3% of the sales price. In CalHFA-defined high cost areas the ECTP second mortgage cannot exceed the greater of \$15,000 or 3% of the sales price.

**Borrower Eligibility:** Borrower(s) must:

- Be a first-time homebuyer(s)
- Meet published CalHFA ECTP moderate income limits
  - Income limits with Conventional
- Occupy the property as their primary residence
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien, or qualified alien
- Be currently employed in a County/Continuation or High Priority school.
  High Priority school is defined as a K through 12 public or charter school that has an Academic Performance Index (API) statewide ranking of 1 through 5. May also be eligible if assigned to a school district, but teach in, provide administration in, or provide service to at least one high priority school.
- Hold an appropriate credential for a teacher, administrator or staff member or be employed as a Classified Employee
- Intend to work for three years continuously from the date of the loan in a County/Continuation or High Priority school
- Complete Homebuyer Education course
- Non-occupant co-borrowers are not allowed
- Non-occupant co-signers
  - With an FHA are allowed per FHA guidelines
  - With a Conventional are not allowed

Minimum Credit Score:

Minimum 640 credit score

When multiple CalHFA loan programs are used in combonation, the most restrictive guidelines will apply.

Maximum Total Debt-to-Income Ratio:

**With Conventional firsts**: Maximum 45.00% total debt-to-income ratio regardless of Desktop Underwriting® (DU®) findings or compensating factors. Manual Underwriting is not permitted

**Property Eligibility:** 

- Sales price of the home cannot exceed CalHFA's <u>sales price limits</u> established for the county in which the property is located
- Be a single family, one-unit residence, including PUDs or approved condominium

Additional Property Guidelines

- Condominiums must meet the guidelines of the first mortgage
- Manufactured housing is not permitted
- Leasehold / Land Trusts and Co-ops are not permitted

Participating Lenders:

CalHFA-approved lenders